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County Executive Abele Announces All MCTS Bus Rides Are FREE on Monday

Media Availability at 2:00pm Today

MILWAUKEE – Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele announced this afternoon that all MCTS buses will be free on Monday, July 6, 2015. Monday will be the first weekday since the conclusion of the drivers' union strike that is stranding tens of thousands of people who rely on MCTS to get to work, school, and doctor appointments.

"This day of free transit won't make up for the massive inconvenience riders felt last week when union leaders went out on strike, however it's the least we can do to thank the community for their patience," County Executive Abele said. "I know most drivers agree with me that the best way to continue to serve the community is to get back to work and provide the rides that so many people depend on."

Union leaders said they will allow their members to go back on the job Saturday, July 4, 2015. MCTS will resume its regularly scheduled service on Saturday, including Summerfest routes.

"I want to thank all the employees at MCTS who stayed on the job the past few days to make sure service would be ready as soon as this strike ended," County Executive Abele said.

What: County Executive Chris Abele Media Availability

When: Friday, July 3 at 2:00pm

Where: MCTS Administration Building, 1942 N. 17th St., Milwaukee, WI

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